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ATTACHMENT C
DENALI NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE
COMMERCIAL USE AUTHORIZATION (CUA) OPERATING PROVISIONS

AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES

The activity for which you have been authorized is shown on the front of your permit. For your information, Denali National Park and Preserve authorizes CUA's for the following commercial activities:

- Air Taxi Operator - landings by FAA certified pilots and aircraft within the park.
- Backpacking or overnight camping - Guided hiking trips that may include overnight camping.
- Big Game transport - Air Taxi transportation of big game hunters and/or animals harvested.
- Day hiking - Guided day trips that do not involve overnight camping.
- Group Camping - Commercial group use of Savage Campground Group Site and facilities.
- Mountaineering - Commercially guided mountaineering.
- Winter backcountry trips - Guided overnight camping in winter snow conditions.

AREAS OPEN TO CUA ACTIVITIES - SEE ATTACHED MAP

The activities listed above may be conducted only in the following park areas:

- a) The 1980 additions to Denali National Park and Preserve, *excluding* the area northwest of Kantishna, known as the Kantishna Hills.
- b) Kantishna Airstrip - may be used for aircraft landing and take-off.
- c) Savage Campground Group Sites - may be used for group camping.

AREAS CLOSED TO CUA ACTIVITIES - SEE ATTACHED MAP

CUA activities may not be conducted in the following park areas:

- a) That portion of Denali National Park and Preserve formerly known as Mt. McKinley National Park, also known as the "Old Park".
- b) The portion of Denali National Park and Preserve, northwest of Kantishna, known as the Kantishna Hills.
- c) All glaciers in the 1980 park additions south of the Alaska Range are closed to landings by air taxi operators. All "glaciers" include any lake on a glacier (Ex: Backside Lake on Backside Glacier).
- d) The Windy Creek drainage N to NW of Cantwell is closed to access for CUA activities.

COMPLIANCE WITH OPERATING PROVISIONS AND PARK REGULATIONS

- a) Failure to adhere to the requirements of the CUA operating provisions and/or park regulations may result in the issuance of a Federal Violation Notice, suspension or revocation of your CUA, or both.
- b) *Guides accompanying clients in closed areas will be assumed to be conducting guiding activities and considered to be in non-compliance of the terms of the CUA.*



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ALL DENALI AUTHORIZATION HOLDERS: OPERATING PROVISIONS

- a) A copy of the CUA and these provisions must be carried at all times by the permittee, or their representative, while operating within the boundaries of Denali National Park and Preserve.
- b) The group size limit is 12 people, inclusive of guides, for guided mountaineering, guided day hiking, guided overnight backpacking and guided winter backcountry trips. Limit may be increased to 15 under certain circumstances with prior NPS approval.
- c) Guided mountaineering and guided overnight backcountry groups are required to check-in with the Talkeetna Ranger Station prior to starting each trip. Call 907-733-2231. Glacier-based groups are required to remove their solid human waste from their basecamps out of the park. Clean Mountain Cans are available from the Talkeetna Ranger Station.
- d) Guides may accompany their clients on the park transportation system, but must conduct themselves as a conventional park visitor.

AIR TAXI OPERATING PROVISIONS

- a) The total number of air taxi landings on the Kantishna strip may not exceed six (6) landings during one operating season.

MOUNTAINEERING OPERATING PROVISIONS

- a) Please see EXHIBIT A for mountaineering application requirements.
- b) Applicants for this activity must be pre-approved by Denali Mountaineering Rangers prior to authorization.

SAVAGE CAMPGROUND GROUP SITES OPERATING PROVISIONS

- a) Group sites are available by reservation beginning December 1 for the following year, fax: 907-264-4684. Group site fax forms are available on our website at www.nps.gov/dena.
- b) The group leader is required to check-in at the Wilderness Access Center.
- c) The group size maximum limit is 20 - including group leaders.
- d) The maximum number of vehicles allowed is 2 per site.
- e) Overnight camping is limited to 14 total nights in any one operating season and no more than 7 consecutive nights for the Savage group sites.
- f) Passenger-carrying vehicles may be used *only* for direct access to the reserved group campsites. Vehicles may not be used for travel beyond the Savage Group Campground.
- g) Commercial groups may not use regular campsites, but are limited to group sites only.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information regarding CUA's, please refer to your CUA application instructions, consult www.nps.gov/akso/concessions/home.htm website, or contact the Denali National Park and Preserve Concessions Office at 907-683-2294.



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General Commercial Road Access to Denali National Park and Preserve

Commercial passenger-carrying motor vehicles are allowed within the boundaries of Denali National Park and Preserve on the George Parks Highway and on the park road as far as the Denali Visitor Center complex and Alaska Railroad Depot. No permit is required for this access.

This means that a commercial operator may bring their clients into the park and stop within the developed area of the road corridor up to the Visitor Center complex. This includes the Wilderness Access Center, Riley Creek Mercantile store, showers, laundry, McKinley Park airstrip, Horseshoe Lake trailhead parking area, Denali Visitor Center complex, and the Railroad depot.

No commercial vehicle may proceed beyond the Denali Visitor Center complex unless they are authorized by an CUA for the Savage Campground group sites.